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1. ALL THREE ARABIC LANGUAGE PAPERS JUNE 8 ANNOUNCE GOE DECISION TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH MOZAMBIQUE AS OF JUNE 25, CLAIMING THAT EGYPT IS FIRST COUNTRY TO DO SO.

2.REPORTS ADD THAT SAAD KHALIL, DIRECTOR OF MFA'S ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT, HAS BEEN NAMED AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE. HE WILL REPORTEDLY LEAVE SHORTLY TO ATTEND INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS IN MOZAMBIQUE. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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3. COMMENT: AMBASSADOR KHALIL WAS APPOINTED IN 1964 TO UN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND IN 1972 BECAME ACTING DIRECTOR OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS IN MFA. HE HAD BEEN DIRECTOR OF MMFA

ECONOMIC DEPT SINCE NOV 1973; HE WAS PROMOTED TO RANK OF AMBASSADOR IN MARCH 1974. EMBASSY HAS FOUND HIM RATHER DISTANT AND RANK CONSCIOUS, WHICH MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO WORK WITH HIM. IN CONTRAST, KHALIL'S PROSPECTIVE NUMBER TWO IN MOZAMBIQUE MUHAMMAD ABD AL-SALAM, IS HELPFUL, FRIENDLY CONTACT. HE HOLDS MA FROM GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY AND SERVED IN WASHINGTON AT EGYPTIAN INTERESTS SECTION FROM 1970. HE WORKED IN THE OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT FOLLOWING HIS RETURN FROM WASHINGTON AND IS CURRENTLY IN THE MFA'S ECONOMIC DEPT HE PLANS PRECEDE KHALIL TO MOZAMBIQUE TO OPEN POST. BOTH SALAM AND KHALIL SPEAK EXCELLENT ENGLISH. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE.

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